Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Indspec Chemical Corporation (Formerly:Koppers)

Route 268 Main Street Petrolia, PA 16050 Congressional District 21 EPA ID #: PAD004336731 Last Updated 12/26/2002

Current Progress at the Site

This facility is one of EPA Region III's priority RCRA corrective action sites. At this time, EPA, with the assistance of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), is assembling and evaluating available information to determine if any RCRA Corrective Action work is necessary at the facility. As part of this process, the EPA and USACE visited the facility and met with facility representatives in July 2002. In response to consent orders/ agreements with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the facility has undertaken response actions which include the construction and operation of a interceptor system to collect and treat groundwater underlying parts of the facility. RCRA Corrective Action work may include additional investigations and/or cleanup measures to protect human health and the environment.

Site Description

Indspec is a 320 acre facility located on Bear Creek in Butler County and is currently the site of a resorcinol manufacturing operation. Resorcinol is a chemical used primarily as an adhesive to bond rubber to steel belts/cords in the manufacturing of tires and also in the pharmaceutical industry. The previous owner/operator of the facility was the Koppers Company, Inc. Manufacturing operations started on the property in approximately 1929.

Contaminants

Resorcinol and intermediate compounds associated with the production of resorcinol have been released to the environment.

Site Responsibility

RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility are being conducted under the direction of EPA Region 3 with assistance from the State.

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